The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" I believe there is not much difference in price now and I will consider it."

Rao Bahadur C. S. RATHNASABAPATHI MUDALIYAR :—" With reference to clause (b), in view of the great deal of work in connexion with the prevention of malaria by the local bodies, may I know whether the Government will be pleased to increase the grants to expedite the drainage schemes pending with the department ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The matter will be duly considered."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" In view of the fact that malaria is prevalent in certain places of the Kurnool and Bellary districts, may I know whether Government has made any arrangement regarding the free supply of quinine to these tracts ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The list of places to which quinine has to be supplied free is also appended."

Mr. C. RAMASOMAYAJULU :—" With reference to the free supply of quinine, may I suggest to the Government the desirability of restoring the practice of giving at least to the village karnams and headmen quinine for free distribution ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" That suggestion will be considered. Probably when the Government empowered the divisional officers and the tahsildars, they thought that they will in turn entrust it to village officers."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" May I know whether in view of the fact that the Salem taluk has got the whole of the Shervaroys with 50 villages in it, the people of the taluk will have the benefit of free supply of quinine ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" In the Salem taluk there are a large number of villages affected by malaria and what particular places should be chosen I cannot say off-hand ; I shall consider the question."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" The Shervaroys and the villages surrounding it."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" It will be considered."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know under whose requisition a special malaria officer was deputed to make a survey of the Ootacamund municipality ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Notice."

## Education

*Opening of group III classes of the B.A. course in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur.*

* 424 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state, with reference to G.O. No. 1540, Law (Education), dated 23rd July 1928—

(a) why the question of the opening of the classes in group III of the B.A. course in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur, was allowed to stand over by the Director of Public Instruction ;

(*b*) whether the Government have approved of the action of the Director; and

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the affirmative, how long the Government expects the question to lie over?

*A.*—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have accepted the view of the Director of Public Instruction that the question of the opening of classes in Group III of the B.A. Pass course should stand over till the question of the headquarters of the Andhra University now pending before the Legislative Council is finally settled.

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know whether it was the Director of Public Instruction that gave the unsettled state of the headquarters of the Andhra University as the reason for postponement or whether the Government themselves feel that this reason should be given?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Government themselves came to this conclusion."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know, Sir, what was the consideration that led them to think that there was a connexion between the sanctioning of group III and the headquarters of the Andhra University?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Because what form the Andhra University will take is still in a state of flux."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"Apart from the question of the Andhra University being in a state of flux the Government is also in a state of flux. Apart from this question, viz., whether the Andhra University is to be located at Anantapur or not, may I know whether the Government have any policy with regard to the opening of this class in group III of the pass degree course?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"I have listened to the lengthy oration of the hon. Member for University and I have to state that it is not possible to come to a decision till the question of the headquarters of the Andhra University is settled."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"I am sorry my friend is getting so very touchy this morning as he always is."

The hon. Mr. T. E. MOIR:—"Is the hon. Member asking a question, Sir?"

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"Is the hon. Member in order, Sir. I won't yield."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"Will the hon. Members resume their seats? As soon as the President stands, all the members ought to resume their seats. The hon. Member for the University will resume his supplementary questions."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"May I ask the hon. Minister for Education whether the Government have any policy with regard to the strengthening of the Ceded Districts College at Anantapur, apart from the question where the headquarters will be located, or have they come to the conclusion that they will open group III only if the headquarters is fixed at Anantapur?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" As I have already said it will largely depend on the settlement of the headquarters of the University."

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU :—" Is it the intention of the Government to open the classes only if the headquarters is fixed at Anantapur or to open them only if the headquarters is not fixed at Anantapur ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" As I have said it will depend largely upon the settlement of the question of the headquarters."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know why it depends on the question of the settlement of the headquarters ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" For the simple reason that the whole question of higer education in the Andhradesa will depend upon the shape the University will take."

*Action taken on the resolution regarding exemption of poor girls from payment of school fees.*

* 425 Q.—Mr. V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state, with reference to the resolution passed in the Council on 5th November 1927 regarding the exemption of poor girls from payment of school fees—

(a) whether he has taken any steps to give effect to that resolution ; and

(b) if not, whether he will take immediate steps thereon ?

A.—The Director of Public Instruction has been asked to furnish a detailed estimate of the extra cost to Government if effect is given to the resolution.

Mr. V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI :—" It is stated here, 'if effect is given to the resolution, etc.' ; may I know whether the hon. Minister entertains a doubt about giving effect to the resolution of this Council ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" No, Sir, the question of the ultimate cost is being considered."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know when the Director of Public Instruction was asked to give his report ?

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" As soon as the resolution was passed. This is a matter of collecting figures and naturally some time has to be taken."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know if the Director of Public Instruction was not consulted when the notice was with the Government and before the resolution was discussed in the Council ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Government did not think that that step was necessary."

*Introduction of the scout movement in elementary schools.*

* 426 Q.—The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any proposals from the President, Nuzvid Taluk Board, and other local boards for introducing the scout and cub movement ;